

2012
B.A./B.Sc. (General) First Semester
Microbiology
MIC-101: Fundamentals of Microbiology – I

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 33

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. I which is compulsory and selecting one question from each Unit.

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I. Define/Comment on the following terms:-

- a) Log phase of bacterial growth curve
- b) Rhizomorphs
- c) Thermal death time
- d) Plasmid
- e) LPS of gram negative bacteria
- f) Arbuscular

(6x1½)

UNIT - I

II. a) Discuss the contribution of Louis Pasteur in the history of microbiology.

b) Discuss the different Koch's postulates.

(3+3)

III. a) What is autoclaving? How it eradicates the microbes?

b) What is generation time of a bacteria? How this is co-related to its growth rate. (3+3)

UNIT - II

IV. a) Differentiate the cell structure of algae and fungi.

b) Describe the process of sporulation in bacteria.

(3+3)

V. a) Why the endospores of bacteria is extremely heat resistant? How endospores are different from exospores?

b) Differentiate flagella and pili.

(3+3)

UNIT - III

VI. a) Draw a flow chart of insulin production by genetic engineering.

b) Why *E.coli* is considered as a suitable host in the genetic engineering.

(4+2)

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- VII. a) What are molecular scissors? Discuss its applications.
b) Enlist the problems of genetic engineering. (4+2)

UNIT - IV

- VIII. a) What functions do the members of the two component system play in infection of a plant by *Agrobacterium*? What are the roles of opines in this infection process?
b) What is Ti-plasmids? (4+2)
- IX. a) Describe the non- symbiotic N₂ fixation by microorganisms.
b) Write short note on Endomycorrhizae. (3+3)

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